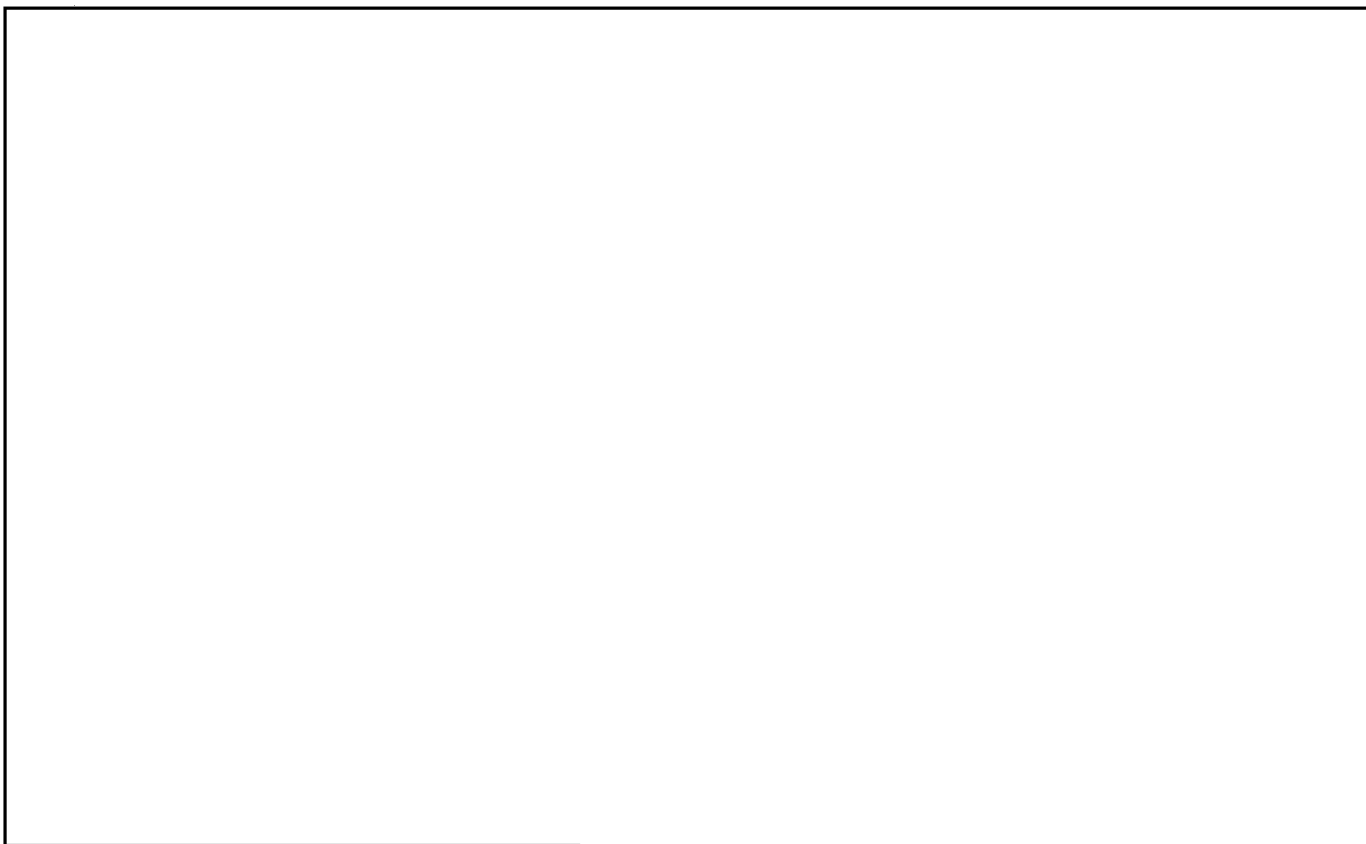


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[redacted] Called the office of Dick Cook, White House Congressional Liaison staff, to see if they had any guidance regarding the handling of Representative William Scott's request. In Cook's absence, I talked to Max Friedersdorf, who spoke well of Scott and agreed he should be given a candid briefing. Friedersdorf also agreed with my position that the Agency should not comment on the Badillo bill (which would forbid the Agency's involvement in any sort of paramilitary operations)--that this was a matter for the White House or State to comment on, if comment was necessary.

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13. [redacted] Met with Representative William Scott in response to his request for a general briefing on the Agency and an indication of the Agency's attitude toward the Badillo bill. I told Scott we took no formal position on the Badillo bill, feeling this was a policy matter for the White House or State. I explained that in any event we undertook no paramilitary operations except on the orders of higher authority. Also, in response to his questions: I explained we had no internal security responsibilities within the U.S.; the nature of our cooperation with the FBI and with certain foreign intelligence services; reasons for our concern over the number of recent disclosures of classified information; relations within the intelligence community, and our responsibilities as laid down by the National Security Act of 1947.

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